

Mourne Mountains

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 27 Mar 2024 until 23:59 on Thursday 28 Mar 2024

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 27 Mar 2024 at 02:17

Confidence: High for cold, windy weather on Wednesday with rain giving way to drier, brighter weather. Lower confidence of details for rest of week with scattered showers but also some dry, brighter conditions.

Headline for Wednesday 27 Mar 2024: Cloudy, wet start then brighter with scattered showers. Strong winds and feeling very cold.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 27 Mar 2024

Blizzards No Likelihood	Heavy persistent snow No Likelihood	Storm force winds No Likelihood
Gales Low Likelihood	Severe chill effect Medium Likelihood	Poor visibility Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	Heavy persistent rain Medium Likelihood	Strong sunlight No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 700m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Heavy Rain	Light rain	Light rain showers	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
60%	40%	40%	20%	20%	20%

Forecast for Wednesday 27 Mar 2024

Weather: Cloudy Wednesday morning with outbreaks of rain, heavy at times. Drier, brighter weather extending across Mourne Mountains later in the morning with scattered showers following. There will be fewer showers and more sunshine during the afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: 30% improving 70% in afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Misty conditions in the morning with poor visibility in persistent rain. Also extensive cloud cover above about 600 to 700m. Visibility improving good later in the morning with clouds lifting and breaking up in the afternoon.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	33/46 E	30/41 SE	27/38 S	29/41 S	24/34 S	19/28 S	17/24 SE
300	19/32 E	16/28 SE	17/28 S	18/30 S	11/22 S	9/19 S	10/17 SE
Valley	17/31 E	15/28 SE	15/28 S	16/30 S	10/21 S	8/18 SE	9/17 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	3/-4	3/-4	2/-6	2/-6	1/-6	0/-6	-0/-7
300	4/-1	5/1	4/-0	5/0	3/-1	2/-2	2/-3
Valley	5/1	6/2	6/1	6/2	4/1	3/0	3/-1
Freezing Level*	1100m	1100m	800m	600m	600m	600m	500m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Meteorologist's View

Continuing to feel very cold with strong winds and temperatures only a few degrees above freezing.

Forecast for Thursday 28 Mar 2024

Weather: Mostly dry start with sunny spells but a few showers. Thicker cloud edging in later in the morning and during afternoon with scattered showers, wintry on the tops. Strong winds on the tops and feeling very cold.

Maximum wind: Strong easterly winds, average speeds 25mph with gusts 40mph on the tops.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: 70% reducing 40% by afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Good visibility with occasional cloud cover above about 700 to 800m. Patches of poor visibility as showers come along later in morning and during afternoon with clouds more extensive above 700m.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 4 Celsius rising to plus 9 Celsius.
 At 700m: Zero rising to plus 3 Celsius.
 Freezing level: 900m.